

Make a Loggerhead turtle

This turtle is easy to make. Play with it; use it as a wall decoration; wear it as a hat (add some ties to the edge of the shell); or make several for a turtle mobile.

You need:

A white paper plate, scissors, pencil, stapler, short piece of string, black waterproof koki-pen, ruler, and green and brown paint.



1. Cut the rim off the paper plate, keeping the rim in one piece.



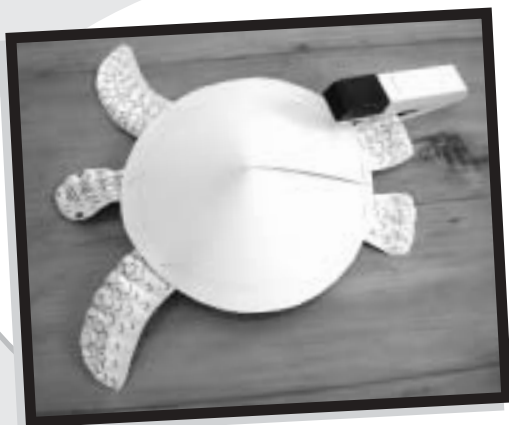
2. Make a cut from the edge to the centre of the plate, and overlap and staple the two edges together to make the turtle's shell.



3. Cut three 8 cm-long pieces, and two 3.5 cm pieces from the rim.



4. Trim the pieces to make two front flippers and a head, and two back flippers, as shown. Use a koki-pen to draw small scales on them, and give the head some eyes and nostrils.



5. Staple the head and flippers to the edges of the shell as shown.



6. Paint the shell a greenish-brown colour, and the flippers and head brown. Make a knot in one end of a short piece of string. Thread it through the centre of the shell from underneath and tie a small loop in the top end. Have fun playing with your turtle.

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